

Health Care Reform and Its Advantages in the Fourth Congressional District

On Tuesday, March 23, 2010, President Obama signed the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act [P.L. 111-148]. This new legislation will have a number of benefits for the 615,000 residents that live in Minnesota's Fourth Congressional District. On this page, you will find resources on health care reform and the numerous advantages of this historic legislation on the St. Paul and surrounding areas.

If you have any questions or need further information, you can contact Betty's office or [email here](#)

Resources:

[Implementation Timeline](#)

[What health care reform does for you](#)

[Summary of health care reform](#)

[Key provisions that go into effect immediately](#)

[Health care reform Consumer Reports guide](#)

Medicare Geographic Disparities:

[U.S. House - White House to Address Medicare Geographic Payment Inequities and Reward Value in Care](#)

[Letter From Health and Human Services Secretary Kathleen Sebelius](#)

[Medicare Geographic Disparity Language](#)

Health Care Reform Websites:

[White House -- Health Care Reform](#)

[Over 360 Organizations Support Health Insurance Reform](#)

District Benefits

- 409,000 residents of the Fourth Congressional district will see improvements in their current health care coverage
 - 7,000 residents of the Fourth Congressional district who can't buy health insurance now because of a pre-existing condition will be able to obtain coverage
 - Up to 141,000 families in the Fourth Congressional district will get tax credits to help make health insurance more affordable
 - Up to 14,100 small businesses in the Fourth Congressional will get tax credits to help make health insurance more affordable for their employees
 - 86,000 Medicare beneficiaries in the Fourth Congressional will see better care and will pay less for prescription drugs because the Medicare Part D donut hole will be closed
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- 50,000 young adults in the Fourth Congressional will be able to stay on their parents' health insurance policy until their 26th birthday
 - 19,500 uninsured residents in the Fourth Congressional will have access to health care coverage
 - 900 families won't have to file for bankruptcy due to unaffordable health care costs
 - 20 community health centers will receive millions of dollars in new funding to see thousands of new patients